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ABDOMINAL AORTIC ULTRASOUND

Ultrasound scan of the main blood vessel

What is an Abdominal Aortic ultrasound?

This diagnostic test uses ultrasound to detect any abnormality of the aorta which is in the main blood vessel supplying the body.

What preparation is required?

Please do not eat for 3 hours before your appointment. You may drink water.

How is the procedure performed and who performs it?

You will be asked to lie flat on an examination couch. Water based gel is applied to the area to be examined and a small ultrasound probe is then placed on the skin and moved slowly and painlessly over the area. The images are displayed on a screen and are stored for later analysis. The ultrasound is performed by either a cardiac ultrasonographer, cardiologist or radiologist. It will take approximately 20 minutes and may be done in conjunction with a heart scan (echocardiogram).

What is the cost of the procedure?

You will be advised of the cost of the procedure and where to park when you make your appointment.

How do I get my results?

A report will be sent to your cardiologist and/or GP within 5-7 days of having the procedure.

Where do I go to have this procedure?

- Ultravision Rooms, Gate 1, Mercy Hospital, 98 Mountain Road, Epsom
- Ultravision Cardiac Imaging, 1 Shea Terrace, Takapuna

For further information refer www.heartgroup.co.nz or phone 09 623 6377